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¶ By the Queene.

A Proclamation for the prices of Wines.



Here it is ordained and provided by a Statute, made and established in the Parliament holden at Westminster the eight day of June, in the xxviii. yeere of the raigne of the Queenes Maiesties dearely beloved father, of famous memorie, King Henrie the eight, that the prices of all kinde of wines (that is to say) of the Tunne, Butt, Pipe, Punchion, Hoghead, Cyprese, Barrell & Rundlet, when it should be solde in grosse, should be limited and declared by the Lord Chauncelour of England, Lord Treasurer of England, Lord President of the saide Kings most honourable Counsell, Lord priuie Seale, and the two chiefe Justices of either Bench, or siue, foure, or thre of them, and that the same should be solde according to the same prices so by them set and taxed, vpon paine and penaltie contained in the said Act: forasmuch as the Lord Chancelour of England, Lord Treasurer of England, and the two Lord chiefe Justices, for diuerse considerations them mouing, and according to the effect and meaning of the saide statute and Act, haue in writing by their deliberat aduises, vpon conference had with sundrie persons thereto requisite, taxed, limited, assigned & appointed the prices of Gascoigne and French wines to bee solde within this her Highnesse realme for this yeere following (that is to say) Euery Tunne of the best Gascoigne and French wines to be sold (the seller bearing all the charges due and payable to her Maiestie in her Custome house) after the rate and price of xiii. li. sterling the Tunne, & not aboue: The buyer bearing all the said charges, after the price and rate of x. li. vi. s. viii. d. sterling the Tunne, and not aboue. And euery Pipe, Butte, Hoghead, Cyprese, Barrell, Rundlet, and other vessels of the same seuerall wines to be sold in grosse after their quantities according to the same rates, and not aboue. And euery Tunne of Rochel, and other small and thinne wines to be sold [the seller bearing all the charges due and payable to her Maiestie in her Custome house] after the price and rate of xi. li. sterling the Tunne, and not aboue: And the buyer bearing the said charges, at viii. li. vi. s. viii. d. sterling the Tunne, and not aboue. And euery Butte, Pipe, Hoghead, Cyprese, Barrell, Rundlet, and other vessels of the same seuerall wines to be sold in grosse after their quantities, according to the same rates, and not aboue.

The Queenes most excellent Maiestie therfore straitly chargeth & commandeth al & singular her louing Subiects, and others putting any manner Gascoigne, French, Rochell, or other small or thinne wines to sale within this her Highnesse Realme, that they, ne any of them in any maner of wise by any craft, couin, or priuate agreement shall sell any Gascoigne, French, Rochell, or other small or thinne wines, otherwise then is aboue limited, vpon paine to forfait and pay such penaltie as be contained and expessed in the said statute, or in any other statute, made or ordeined for the same. And moreouer her Highnes pleasure and commandement is, that all and singular Maiors, Sheriffes, Bayliffes, Constables and other officers to whom it apperteineth, that they, and euery of them with diligence, cause and see that this her Proclamation be put in due execution after the tenour of the same, and also according to an other Act of Parliament established in the Parliament aboue rehearsed, against such as will refuse to sell their wines at prices taxed as is aforesaide, as they will answere thereto at their perils.

Given at our Castell of Windsor, the sixteenth day of Nouember, in the foure and twentieth yeere of our reigne.

¶ God saue the Queene.

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to the Queenes most excellent Maiestie.